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ORDINANCE: To amend Chapter 2 of the Rockville City Code, entitled "Administration," Division 2, entitled "Mayor and Council," Section 2-21 entitled "Compensation of Mayor and Councilmembers" so as to change the frequency with which the Compensation Commission meets from every two years to every four years and to delete certain language that is no longer applicable

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF ROCKVILLE, that Chapter 2 of the Rockville City Code, entitled "Administration," Division 2. entitled "Mayor and Council," Section 2-21 entitled "Compensation of Mayor and Councilmembers" be amended to read as follows:

Chapter 2. Administration

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DIVISION 2. - MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Sec. 2-21. - Compensation of Mayor and Councilmembers.

(a) There is established a Compensation Commission consisting of five (5) members whose responsibilities are to review and make recommendations pertaining to the annual compensation of the Mayor and Councilmembers.

(b) The Mayor and Council shall appoint five (5) individuals to serve on the Compensation Commission. The individuals appointed shall be residents of the City

or have a place of business in the City. The terms of the members of the Compensation Commission shall begin on December 31 of the year in which they are appointed and shall run for four (4) years or until their successors are appointed and qualified. Terms of the members shall be staggered.

(c) On or before January 31 of every ~~[second]~~ fourth year beginning in ~~[2005]~~ 2019, the Commission shall convene to prepare a report and recommendation for either retaining or changing the annual compensation of the Mayor and/or Councilmembers. In preparing the report and recommendation, the Commission shall receive all necessary and appropriate support from the City Clerk and the City Attorney, and shall consider the duties and responsibilities of the Mayor and Councilmembers, the compensation of elected officials in comparable jurisdictions, and any increase or decrease in the cost of living within the Washington D.C. metropolitan area, along with such other factors deemed relevant by the Commission, including such public comment as the Commission may determine to receive. On or before March 31 of every ~~[second]~~ fourth year beginning in ~~[2005]~~ 2019, the Commission shall file with the City Clerk a report and recommendation for either retaining or changing the annual compensation of the Mayor and/or Councilmembers.

(d) The City Clerk shall notify the Mayor and each Councilmember, in writing, of the filing of the Commission's report and recommendation concerning the compensation of the Mayor and/or Councilmembers.

(e) If within sixty (60) days of the City Clerk's notification the Mayor and Council takes no action to reject or reduce the compensation recommended by the

Commission, said recommended compensation shall become the compensation payable to the Mayor and/or each Councilmember as provided by paragraphs (g) and (h).

(f) The Mayor and Council may by resolution reject all or part of the recommendations of the Commission and may reduce the compensation recommended by the Commission. The Mayor and Council may not approve an increase in the compensation of the Mayor and/or Councilmembers in an amount exceeding any increase recommended by the Compensation Commission.

(g) Any change in annual compensation adopted in accordance with paragraphs (e) or (f) shall not take effect until the next term of the Mayor and Council. [Until such time as a change in the annual compensation of the Mayor and/or Councilmembers becomes effective under the procedures set forth in this section, the Mayor shall receive an annual stipend of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000.00) for the performance of the Mayor's duties as required by law and each of the four (4) Councilmembers shall receive an annual stipend of six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) for the performance of their duties as required by law.]

(h) All compensation payments for the Mayor and Councilmembers shall be made in equal biweekly installments.

(i) The City Clerk shall maintain a record of the compensation paid to the Mayor and Councilmembers and any adjustments thereto.

NOTE: [Brackets] indicate material deleted
Underlining indicates material added
Asterisks * * * indicate material unchanged by this ordinance

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I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance
adopted by the mayor and Council at its meeting of

Kathleen Conway, City Clerk/Director
of Council Operations